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G.O. No. 2423

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Grants - Maternity and Child Welfare - Payment to local bodies - Items of revenue and expenditure to be taken into account in assessing the grants - Further instructions issued.

R.No. 3844/IM/48.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH,
Madras, dated the 19th February 1948.

From

The Director of Public Health, Madras.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Madras.

Sir,

Sub:- Payment of grant equivalent to one fourth of total expenditure on Maternity and Child Welfare Schemes.

A copy of letter No. L.F. 6662 dated 10.1.48 of the Examiner of Local Fund Accounts to the Director of Public Health is sent herewith for information.

2. In G.O. No. 1149, Public Health, dated 27.3.1942, Government sanctioned the payment of grant equivalent to one fourth of total expenditure incurred by local bodies on their Maternity and Child Welfare Schemes every year. It was not intended, that contributions paid by local bodies to voluntary bodies or associations should be taken into account in calculating the one fourth grant. Government in Memorandum No. 34856/43-2, P.H dated 17.11.1943 issued instructions that expenditure incurred on Health and Baby Week celebrations should not be taken into account in calculating the grant but no orders were issued by Government regarding the inclusion of grants or contributions paid by local bodies to voluntary associations in the total expenditure of local bdoes for the sake of calculating the grant. Every year audited figures furnished by the Examiner of Local Fund Accounts in respect of total expenditure of each local body (District Boards, Municipalities and Panchayat Boards) were accepted and grants calculated from such audited figures were recommended to Government.

3. The Examiner of Local Fund Accounts in his letter cited above desires to know whether it is the intention of Government that District Boards should be paid one fourth grant on amounts received by District Boards from Panchayat Boards as contributions, in addition to the payment of one fourth grant to Panchayat Boards treating their contributions to District Boards as expenditure on Maternity and Child Welfare Scheme of the Panchayat Boards as sanctioned by Government in G.O. No. 1111, P.H. dated 12.4.1947.

4. Definite orders may, therefore, be issued on the following:-

(1) Where the centres in Panchayat Board areas form part of the District Board Schemes, the District Boards may include also the contributions received from Panchayat Boards towards their maintenance in the total expenditure of the District Board on Maternity and Child Welfare Scheme for the year and claim one fourth grant. No separate grants are necessary for the panchayats concerned.

(2) Where the centres are maintained by the Panchayats themselves they may claim the usual one-fourth grant.

(3) Local Bodies are not entitled for one fourth grant on the amounts given by them as grants or subsidies to

Voluntary bodies or associations for Maternity and Child Welfare work. The amounts of such grants should not be taken into account for calculating the one fourth grant for the year (including expenditure on Health and Baby Week Celebrations).

(Sd) R.M. Mathew,
Director of Public Health.
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Copy of letter No. L.F. No. 6668 dated 10.1.1948 from the Examiner of Local Fund Accounts, Madras to the Director of Public Health, Madras.

Copy of letter

In G.O. No. 1149, Public Health, dated the 27th March 1942 the Government were pleased to sanction a subsidy to local bodies calculated at 1/4th of the expenditure incurred by them on the maintenance of maternity and child welfare centres. In the South Arcot District, it has been noticed that subsidy is being paid to the District Board equal to 1/4th of gross expenditure incurred by it on the maintenance of the institutions and also to certain panchayat boards which do not actually maintain any such centre but only pay a contribution to the District Board for running the centre in the Panchayat Board area bearing the entire expenditure from the District Board Funds. The District Board thus gets contributions from the Panchayat Boards and subsidy equal to 1/4th of the gross expenditure (from which the contributions received are not deducted). The Panchayat Boards which paid contributions to the District Boards were also given subsidy calculated at 1/4th of amount of contribution. vide G.O. No. 1111, Public Health, dated 2nd April 1947 sanctioning the subdidy. Thus subsidy is being paid by Government not only on 1/4th expenditure but also on the contributions made by the panchayat boards which cannot be treated as direct expenditure on the maintenance of the maternity and child welfare centres.

I request to be informed whether it is the intention of Government to reimburse the local bodies both the expenditure incurred directly by them on the actual maintenance of the centres (without taking into account the contributions received) and also the contributions paid to other local bodies with directly maintain the centres.

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Director of Public Health
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EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No. 2424, Public Health. Dated the 14th July 1948.
Read:-

G.O. No. 531, Public Health, dated 27.2.1945.
G.O. No. 1142, Public Health, dated 30.4.1945
From the Director of Public Health, R.No 3544-M/48 dated 19.2.1948.

Order:-

In the letter cited above, the Director of Public Health has

raised for clarification certain points regarding the items of expenditure to be taken into account for purposes of payment of grants to local bodies towards the maintenance of maternity and child welfare centres. The attention of the Director,/in this connection invited to the orders in paragraph 2 of G.O. No. 531, Public Health, dated the 22nd February 1945, and in Government Memorandum No. 10024/45-2-H-P.H. dated the 2nd April 1945 and in amplification of these orders the following further instructions are issued in the matter:-

All local authorities maintaining maternity and child welfare centres will be eligible for the Government grant on the basis of the total expenditure incurred by them on the running of these centres, ignoring all contributions (including contribution by another local authority) received by them.

Expenditure incurred by a local authority merely as a contribution to another local authority for maintaining a centre will not be treated as an item of expenditure which will be eligible for the Government grant; but if the contribution is made to an institution (other than another local authority) which does not claim any grant from the Government, the local authority making such a contribution will be eligible for a Government grant on the basis of the expenditure incurred by it towards the contribution.

(By Order of His Excellency the Governor).

C.O. Coorey,
Joint Secretary to Government

To
The Director of Public Health, Madras.
Copy to the Examiner of Local Fund Accounts, Madras.

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Superintendent,
Madras Record Office.

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